



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 02481.1702

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Bernward SCHÖLKENS et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1617  
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Application No.: 09/645,556 ) Examiner: J. Kim  
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Filed: August 25, 2000 ) Confirmation No.: 3278  
)  
For: PHARMACEUTICAL )  
FORMULATIONS AND USE )  
THEREOF IN THE PREVENTION )  
OF STROKE, DIABETES AND/OR )  
CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment responds to the Final Office Action mailed on July 27, 2004, the Advisory Action mailed on November 3, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed on January 24, 2005. The period for response to the Office Action has been extended to January 27, 2005, by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time. This Amendment accompanies the filing of a Request for Continued Examination. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.